

in her, and that she had lost hope and courage. She had deemed to care for nothing. Had she said anything to you of her state of mind? I would not ask you while she was at home because I always show her your letters to me. If Annie should like Santa Cruz and stay there several weeks I may go down to see her. The fare is only \$3.00, from San Jose, and Papa wants me to go. Sam goes to China on the next Steamer and I shall have to try a new breed of some kind. I may perhaps get a girl for this winter so as to be entirely free to do all that can be done for Annie. Poor child if only I might some way bear her sickness for her. Have you got those remedies for your throat from Charlie yet.

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Dear Abbie

I told Annie to tell you that you need not come up now till her return from Santa Cruz; not that I should not be especially glad to see you but as you do not come often you must make all your visits when she is at home. I think she was quite pleased to go, and I was anxious to have her at the same time that I do not anticipate any particular benefit, it is a change for her and when she comes home that will be another. I have (in my own mind) seriously debated whether it was not



my duty to send for you to  
come home and be with  
her, but finally concluded  
not to do so at present.

Joe came up Wednesday  
even as he had no intention  
the rest of this week, but  
for that I should have been  
entirely alone as Papa went  
last night to San Jose with  
Annie in order that the  
ride to day might be less.  
Aunt Jane went down  
from the City this morning  
on the other side of the bay  
and Papa will see Annie  
on the train to meet her  
this morning. They do not  
reach San Jose before 10,  
and so Annie would not  
have to hurry in the morning.  
Sat. morn. Papa came home late  
last evening. He said that they

would reach Santa Cruz  
about 4 o'clock and that was  
better than I expected.

I think while Annie is away  
I shall take up the parlor  
carpet and fit up the parlor  
for a bedroom for her this  
winter. In that way she can  
have an open fire and be  
in her room as much as  
she pleased, and it tired her  
very much to go up and  
down stairs. At the same  
time she will be near me  
in the night and in the  
day she can be away from  
the cradle.

I have wished that I knew whether  
she ever says anything about  
herself to you. I have felt  
since she came back from  
Oakland the last time that  
there was a great change in



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